

### Listing of Claims

The below listing of claims will replace all prior versions of claims in the application.

Claims 1-39: Cancelled

40. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, further comprising the step of enabling the client to decide ~~whether one or more of the~~ which partners in the collaboration community ~~are capable of electing~~ are invited to become subscribers subscribing partners of the hosted enterprise solution.

41. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 40, wherein the step of enabling the client to decide ~~whether one or more of the~~ which partners in the collaboration community are invited to become subscribing partners comprises ~~includes~~ enabling the client to decide which partners are invited based on a standard and open policy provided by the service provider.

42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, wherein each subscriber subscribing partner is of one of two or more types of subscribers subscribing partners with different users' privileges.[[.]]

43. (Cancelled)

44. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, further comprising the step of enabling the client to ~~select~~ decide which ~~one or more~~ partners ~~from in~~ the collaboration community ~~that~~ are allowed to become subscribers subscribing partners.

45. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 44, wherein the step of enabling the client to decide which ~~whether one or more~~ partners in the collaboration community are allowed to become subscribing partners comprises ~~includes~~ enabling the client to decide which partners based on a standard and open policy ~~provided by the service provider to the client.~~

46. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, wherein the step of ~~identifying each partner in~~ generating a list of the partners that forms at least a portion of the

collaboration community includes accommodating changes to how many partners comprise the collaboration ~~community, community.~~

47. (Cancelled)

48. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, wherein for one or more ~~subscribers~~ subscribing partners, the subscription fee and the value are different amounts.

49. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, further comprising the step of accounting for any partner in the collaboration community who changes its status in regards to being or not being one of the ~~subscribers~~ subscribing partners.

50. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, wherein the host subscription fee is at least partially ~~contributed to by a non-subscriber~~ incurred by a partner who uses the hosted enterprise ~~solutions~~ solution but does not pay the subscription fee.

51. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, wherein the hosted enterprise solution facilitates collaboration privileges to the client, the subscribing partners and the non-subscribing partners ~~non-subscribers, subscribers and clients.~~

Claims 52-55: (Cancelled)

56. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, further comprising the step of enabling the client to restrict rights of usage of the hosted enterprise solution for one or more subscribing partners ~~who are subscribers.~~

57. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 38 98, further comprising the step of enabling the client to restrict rights of usage of the hosted enterprise solution for one or more non-subscribing partners ~~who are non-subscribers.~~

Claims 58-97: Cancelled

98. (New) A method for a service provider to enable cost-sharing of a host subscription fee for a client's use of a hosted enterprise solution in a collaboration community, in which the client and its collaboration partners communicate among themselves online, the method executing an enterprise application through the use of a network enabled system to perform the steps comprising:

generating a list of the partners that forms at least a portion of the collaboration community;

determining a value based on applying a predetermined function to a subscription fee paid by one or more subscribing partners, wherein the value indicates a net saving to the host subscription fee for the client for using the hosted enterprise solution;

monitoring each subscribing partner in the portion of the collaboration community who enrolls a subscription for his use of the hosted enterprise solution as part of being in the collaboration community and thereby contributes to the value;

monitoring each non-subscribing partner in the portion of the collaboration community who does not enroll a subscription for his use of the hosted enterprise solution as part of being in the collaboration community and thereby does not contribute to the value; and

updating the client's host subscription fee based at least in part on the value.

99. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of enabling the client to decide which partners in the collaboration community are not invited to become subscribing partners of the hosted enterprise solution.

100. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of communicating the balance of the host subscription fee to the client over the network.

101. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of allowing the client to invite partners to pay subscription fees for the use of the hosted enterprise solution.

102. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of tracking partners that decline subscriptions.

103. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of allowing the client to manage activities of the partners in relation to becoming subscribing partners and participating in the collaboration community.

104. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of generating invitations to all the partners whom the client wishes to pay the subscription fees.

105. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of tracking the host subscription fee as it is modified by the subscription fee of a given partner.

106. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of allowing the client to modify a collaboration community membership that the client defines.

107. (New) The method of claim 98, further comprising the step of allowing the client to restrict rights of usage of the hosted enterprise solution of one or more partners in its collaboration community.

108. (New) The method of claim 98, wherein the hosted enterprise solution comprises a data-exchange enterprise collaboration software solution.

109. (New) The method of claim 98, wherein the hosted enterprise solution comprises a document workflow enterprise collaboration software solution.

110. (New) The method of claim 98, wherein the host subscription fee is at least partially incurred by the client for using the hosted enterprise solution.

111. (New) The method of claim 99, wherein the step of enabling comprises enabling the client to decide which partners in the collaborating community are not invited based on a standard and open policy.